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Florida House Pandemics & Public Emergencies Committee Notices Meeting to Investigate Piney Point Reservoir

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (April 5, 2021) — On Wednesday, April 7, the Florida House of Representatives' Pandemics & Public Emergencies Committee, at the direction of Florida House Speaker Chris Sprowls, R-Palm Harbor, will investigate the recent events surrounding the Piney Point Reservoir in Manatee County, Florida.

"The events surrounding the Piney Point Reservoir are concerning, and I am closely monitoring the situation," said Speaker Sprowls. "The goal of Wednesday's Pandemics & Public Emergencies Committee hearing is to gather information, shed additional light and take steps to provide solutions that can help us protect our people and our environment and avoid another future disaster. Thank you to Governor DeSantis for his swift action in declaring a state of emergency and all of the relevant state agencies for their coordinated response with local officials."

"I look forward to working closely with state agencies to get answers," said Chairman Tom Leek, R-Ormond Beach. "The Pandemics & Public Emergencies Committee was built for events like these, so that we can both understand more about a breaking situation at hand and prepare for the next."

The Pandemics & Public Emergencies Committee will meet 15 minutes upon adjournment of Session for one hour in Sumner Hall, 404 HOB. Any additional information on the meeting can be found on the Pandemics & Public Emergencies Committee [webpage](#).

Watch the meeting live at www.thefloridachannel.org.

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